

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**TIMOTHY MANNING and )  
JOSEPH BRYSON, )  
Plaintiffs, )  
                        )  
v. )  
                        )  
**MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE )  
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER; )  
JOHN CRONIN, individually and in his ) C.A. 1:04-cv-10508 -DPW  
official capacity as Chief Administrative )  
Officer of the Office of the Chief Medical )  
Examiner; RICHARD EVANS, )  
individually and in his official capacity as )  
Chief Medical Examiner of the )  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, )  
Defendants                 )****

**LOCAL RULE 16.1 JOINT SCHEDULING  
CONFERENCE REPORT**

1. Preliminary Statement –

The parties certify that they have conferred prior to the scheduling conference concerning the agenda for the scheduling conference, a proposed pretrial schedule and discovery plan and consideration of trial before a magistrate, in accordance with L.R. 16.1(B).

The parties certify that they have discussed settlement and that they are exploring alternatives to litigation.

2. Agenda of Matters to be Discussed –

The parties suggest that the following matters should be addressed at the Scheduling Conference:

- \* Schedule for discovery and dispositive motions.

3. Joint Pretrial Discovery and Motion Schedule–

The parties' scheduling proposals are as follows:

Event	
Initial Disclosures Served	July 1, 2004
All written discovery completed	December 1, 2004
All depositions completed	April 1, 2005
All dispositive motions filed, with responses 30 days after service	July 1, 2005
Trial Date	September, 2005

4. Limitations on discovery –

The parties currently do not anticipate the need to exceed the number of discovery events stated in L.R. 26.1(C).

5. Alternative Dispute Resolution and Trial by Magistrate –

The parties agree to confer at a later date to consider ADR, including mediation and/or trial by magistrate.

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